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Ms. Valerie E. Wilson

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Dear Ms. Wilson:

On 29 June 2007, the Central Intelligence Agency's Publications Review Board (PRB or Board) received a copy of the latest version of your manuscript for review. We note that this latest version of your manuscript includes, throughout the manuscript, significant amounts of new material not previously reviewed by the Board. We also note that this latest version indicates that you plan to add material to your manuscript at some point in the future.

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Sincerely yours,

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